

N.C. 12 Update 9/26/2011

Over the weekend at the Rodanthe breach area, work was non-stop through the steady rain. Crews continued constructing the sand embankments at the S-curves for the roadway to have the correct shape and slopes. Sandbag installation continued south of the Pea Island breach. In addition, broken asphalt removal was completed.

On Friday, at the temporary bridge location on Pea Island, crews drove 8 piles at bent 2 and were able to pour the concrete footings at bent 3. Bents are substructures supporting each end of the bridge span. Despite steady rain throughout the weekend, crews completed driving all 12 piles for bent 2. An additional 88 feet of the bridge truss was assembled and the bridge was launched approximately 100 feet to the south. Materials and equipment were transported to the south side of the breach at Rodanthe via the Stumpy Point ferry. These materials and equipment will be used at bent 1.

Carolina Bridge Co. called in an additional night crew, scheduled to begin tonight, to help make up some of the lost time due to the rain this weekend and forecasted rain through Wednesday.